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A Case of Foiled Display.

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It was in the early eighties, that period of such weighty import to the settlers of the prairie country. Excitement and unrest pervaded the whole Northwest. The hand of war was hovering threateningly over it: another rebellion was impending. The French half-breeds of the Saskatchewan were restive. They were determined to assert their rights, and to get redress for their many wrongs. Already they had sent for Louis Riel to come and lead them, and it was plain that they were wickedly intent upon mischief. Their forces were being swelled daily by the arrival of fresh bands of breeds and Indians from various parts of the Territories, from Manitoba, and from over the boundary. The whites were uneasy and suspicious, and had in many places organized volunteer corps, in some cases merely as a matter of precaution, in others to protect themselves from prowling bands of marauders. Farmers stabled all their stock before going to bed, let the dogs loose, and slept with their rifles standing against the wall beside them.

The sun was setting at the close of a bright spring day, and surely it never looked upon a scene of greater beauty, of more awe-inspiring grandeur. Upon every side, "to the last point of vision and beyond," stretched the vast, undulating prairie, just taking on its new garment of varied green. The farm-houses standing far apart in two lines, one on each side of the road, were a scene of bustling activity. Inside, supper was being prepared; outside, the stock, panting from their steady run up the long pasture-path, were being shut up, and the farmers were unhitching from plow or seeder. The lately-sown grain was beginning to sprout amid the blackness of the mellow fields. Farther north lay the lake, surrounded by rushes and willows, red in the setting sun.

The water had receded from the old bank and between the two now was a level stretch of smooth sand, with here and there bunches of meadow grass. Behind this bank, on this evening, effectually screened from the gaze of anyone at the farm houses by the thick growth of willows, a man was pacing restlessly back and forth. A horse, tethered a short distance away, raised its head now and then and neighed impatiently. At such times its master paused in his walk, stroked its neck with his hand, and spoke to it in a low voice. The animal immediately resumed its feeding and the man his walk. Whenever he came to the end of his course, he climbed the bank and looked through an opening in the bushes at the hills to the southward, over which he could see the road winding downward toward the farm-houses. To his left, that is, to the eastward of the place where he was now standing, a branch road led through a winding coulee to the edge of the lake. Seeing nothing, he

would give vent to an impatient exclamation and re-commence his uneasy pacing to and fro.

He was a tall, strongly-built man, with very broad shoulders and long limbs. His clear, brown complexion, spoke of a life spent in the open air, as his military cloak and authorita-

tive eye told that he had been accustomed to command. He was well dressed, and had a bright-red silk kerchief knotted about his neck. This taste for color and the intense blackness of his eyes, might lead one to suppose that he had French blood in his veins. He had a gun under his



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arm, but it was plain that he was not here for the purpose of hunting, as he paid no heed to the excellent marks afforded by the flocks of geese, returning from their feeding grounds, which flew close over his head and alighted noisily in the water, there to spend the night.

"Voila!" muttered he, impatiently. "Dumontes surely ought to arrive soon. I told him to be here before sunset, and now it is long after. Can anything have happened? I don't think so. I told him to have his recruits ready at noon, and to travel fast, by the most unfrequented roads he could find; and he knows the country well. Dumontes is a trusty officer, a little fond of his glass—Sacré! it may be that! If it is—" and his brow darkened threateningly. "The time is drawing near," he continued, "when Riel shall want every man he can get, and he would be furious if he knew we were wasting time plundering on the road. But the first blow has already been struck, so it can do no harm. Besides, this farmer Shaw has the finest herd of thoroughbreds in the West, and we need horses! If it is true that he also, as Dumontes says, really sold the best of his cattle a short time ago, he must have a big

bundle of money, and, by gar! we want money, too! If this job succeeds, I will at once set off to join our forces."

As he uttered these words, he again mounted to his place of observation and was gratified to see, rapidly descending the hills to the southward, a band of mounted men. As he looked, they entered the ravine and advanced quickly along the road at its bottom.

It was now rapidly getting dark, and he strained his eyes to discover, in the man who rode at the head of the cavalcade, his lieutenant Dumontes. The former was of the same build, but did not otherwise resemble his friend. Then suddenly he made the discovery that the band of men, who were now coming along the lake road at a distance of less than a hundred yards away, was not the one he was looking for, but was probably one of the local volunteer corps, travelling about to investigate some matter!

The revelation was a startling one. He knew his dress and trappings would immediately betray him as a Frenchman, or at least as a rebel. His lurking there would be taken as a suspicious fact. At all costs he must prevent a meeting with them. There

was no time to lose. Glancing hurriedly about, he saw something he had not noticed before. Half hidden by bushes was a deep ditch, dug through the bank, probably to drain the meadow-land above. Hastily untying the rope by which his horse was secured, he stepped into the opening. The ditch was some four feet wide and three deep. The bushes which grew over it made it somewhat deeper, and he had not much fear that either he or his horse would be seen, as it was now quite dark. After he had gone a short distance, he made the animal lie down. Then he quickly hobbled it, and muzzled it by tying his scarf over its mouth. He patted it and spoke quietly to it, and it lay quite still. He now stole back to the opening of the ditch, re-arranged the thick screen of bushes so as to almost entirely conceal it, and crouched down to listen.

No sooner had he done so than the cavalcade rode up and, to his surprise, halted. There was an instant's silence, and then a voice said in a low tone: "Is not this the place, boys?"

Several voices responded in the affirmative, and the first speaker proceeded:

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hood, and that he would meet his lieutenant with recruits here to-night. When the Frenchman went through here a month ago, I suspected that he was going to recruit a company over the line. Since the outbreak in the Territories, it is our duty to suppress every suspicious movement we see, and in this case, when Gervoise is so obviously collecting a force for Riel, we must act. We shall wait here for a time, and if they do not arrive we must go elsewhere."

The listener did not wait to hear more, but stole quietly away toward his horse. He was Gervoise, and he had been betrayed. Green, at whose house he had spent the previous night, was a Catholic, and he had thought he could trust him. So he had told him about the arrival of his force.

"Fortunately I did not mention my plan of attacking Shaw's ranch," he thought. "As it is, I have a little score to settle with Green at some future time. How lucky these fellows did not know the road my force was to come! Why, Dumontes must have been close at their heels, and he cannot be far away now. I will find him, and then we will go to work. Shaw's farm is a couple of miles away, so these fellows will know nothing of it. In the morning, they will find what has been done under their noses, and they will feel in good humor!"

With these reflections, he unbound his horse and led him softly away. When he reached the end of the ditch, he could no longer hear the voices behind him. He mounted and rode off, soon increasing his pace to a fast gallop. He had reached the base of the hills, when he heard above him the unmistakable sounds of an approaching band of horsemen, and drew his horse into the shadow of some trees till he should see who they were. This time he was not mistaken. He heard Dumontes' voice singing and laughing in a very light-hearted fashion. As they came nearer, he saw by the light of a lantern which one of the men held, that their horses were heavily laden with plunder. He spurred forward.

"Halt, rascal!" cried Dumontes. "How dare you, sir, approach me like that? Don't you know that I am—"

"Shut up, you drunken fool!" ordered Gervoise, reining up beside him. He paused and looked sternly at his subordinate. Dumontes' glance quail-

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ed, and he stirred uneasily in his saddle. He was always afraid when Gervoise got in a bad temper.

"Pardon, monsieur le capitaine," he stammered. "I thought it was some enemy."

"Even had it been," answered the other, "you had no right to address him as you did me. We want to make only as much trouble as we have to."

addressed them in that tongue:

"My men," said he, "we are going to fight for Monsier Riel, le brave homme, who is going to free us from our enemies. We want horses, and Monsieur Dumontes is going to show us where we can get them, good, swift horses. But the whites are out after us. They do not know where we are. We can get our horses and

was driving it ahead of her, when she heard the galloping of a lot of horses which halted directly beside her. It had happened so quickly that she had not had time to move away, and she had remained listening to the talk of the riders.

After they had gone off, she stood

furiously gallop. It was half a mile to the house, and in a short time she drew up, just as her father, an old man named John Millward, opened the door and looked out. "Why are you riding so hard, Nellie?" he asked; "did you find the cow?"

"Father," cried the girl, excitedly, "there is a band of half-breeds who are going to take Mr. Shaw's horses. I heard them say so. Take the men and go and help him. Stop at Brown's and Reid's on the way, and get them. There are about twenty breeds. I am going by the lake road to Marshall's to get all of their men."

"Stop, Nellie!" said her father, "this is no girls' work. Let me go to Marshall's."

But Nellie was already beyond hearing. She knew all the by-roads of the country, and she made her way directly towards the lake road, as the shortest route to the Marshall farm, which was situated about a mile away. She galloped as fast as if it had been daytime, and in a short time turned into the road by the lake.

As she sped swiftly along, her mind worked rapidly. If her father got at Shaw's with the other farmers she had named, there would be about ten men opposed to the rebels. When Marshall and his men arrived, there would be about fifteen. Which would win? True, the farmers knew their ground, but still, many might be killed. If her father, or Mr. Shaw—

Fred Shaw was one of the most prosperous farmers of the district, was young, handsome, and a general favorite. He and Nellie were extremely fond of one another, and had decided to get married in the fall. So it was quite natural that she should wish to foil the plan of the rebels.

Suddenly a voice called to her to halt, and at the same moment her horse's reign was grasped by a rude hand and he was pulled up on his haunches. She could discern several horsemen beside her.

But let that pass. You are two hours late. You have been drinking. You have been plundering, against my orders. I have a mind to put one of these fellows in your place. There is Rebine there, a steady fellow, would make an excellent officer."

"Sir," cried Dumontes, in alarm, "we had such an excellent chance. Three wagons loaded with goods met us. We stopped them and relieved them of their blankets, guns and ammunition, and some food. We took only what we needed. The trader had a purse," fumbling in his pockets, "which," presenting it to him with a low bow, "I reserved for your share."

Gervoise knew that he would never have seen anything of the money had not Dumontes seen the necessity for conciliating him in some manner. But he said nothing, and proceeded to review the newly-recruited squad. They were mostly half-breeds, with a few Indians. All spoke the jargon, half French and half English, of the voyageur and plainsman, and Gervoise

get away before they find us out. Shall we do it?"

There was a chorus of answers, "Oui, oui, les chevaux! Nons aurons les chevaux!"

"Very well," responded Gervoise. "Now Dumontes," he continued, "lead us, by the shortest road you know, to Shaw's ranch." The next moment they clanked off at a smart pace.

Gervoise now hoped for a happy solution of his difficulties, but he would have been less sanguine had he known that, on the other side of the leafy screen beside which he had reigned up, there was one listening to him, standing on the ground beside her horse, holding his mouth with both hands, to keep him from neighing, but all the while listening with bated breath to the conversation of the men on the road, stood a tall, healthy-looking girl. Her father was one of the farmers in the neighborhood, and she was now standing in his pasture-field, whither she had come to look for a stray cow. She had just found the animal, and

still for several moments. Then she mounted her horse and rode off at a

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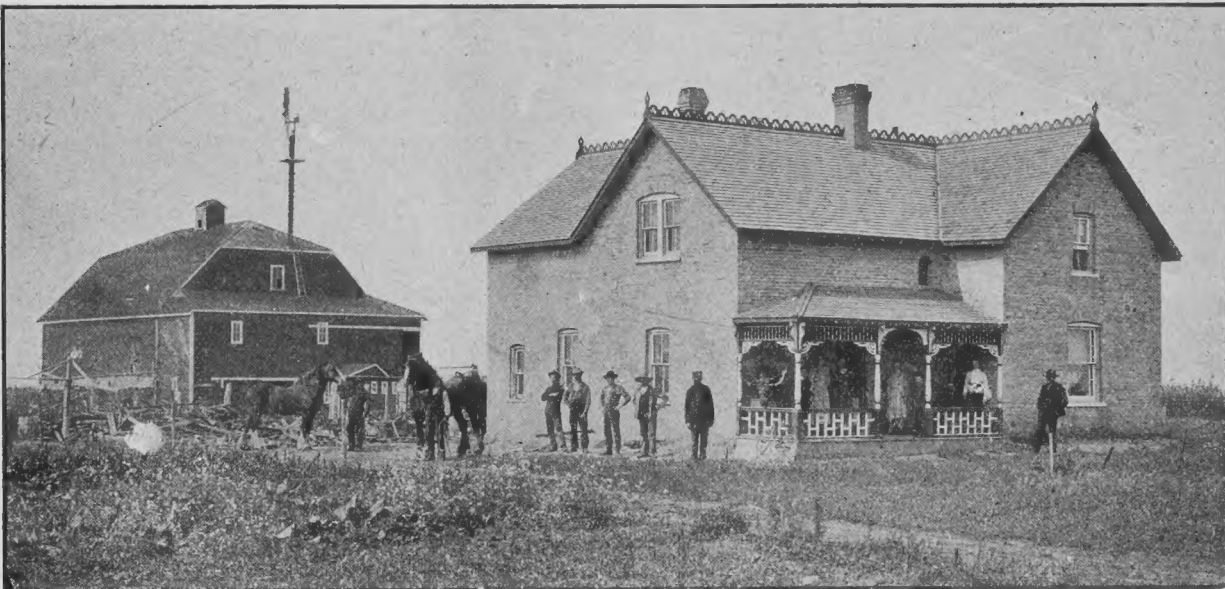
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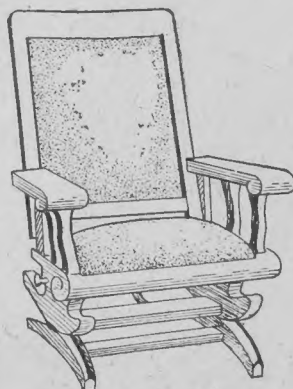


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"Oh! is it you, Mr. Parker?" she exclaimed. "I was so frightened! I thought it was the half-breeds."

"Why, it's Nellie Millward!" said Parker, the captain of the volunteers. "And what is this about half-breeds?"

"There is a band going to attack Mr. Shaw's, and steal his horses. I heard them talking about it. Father has got some men and is going to help him. I am going to Mr. Marshall's."

"You come right back with us," said the captain. "We will show this Gervoise a thing or two. Come on, lads!"

Nellie and Parker rode at the head of the party, and they set off at a smart pace. As they neared her home, Parker urged Nellie to remain there, but she would not hear of it, and kept on.

Suddenly a shot rang out on the night air, then another, and then came a regular fusillade. Flashes of light were seen about the buildings of the farm they were approaching.

"They're at it, boys!" cried Parker. "Come on!"

At racing speed they drew near the horse.

"Half of you, under Jones," remain mounted in the road," ordered the captain. "The rest, under me, will tie their horses behind the buildings, and then sally around and take them in the flank. I see Shaw is keeping them pretty well back, but they will probably soon make a rush for it. We want to get there before they do."

His plan was carried into effect. They took down the fence and tied their animals behind the buildings, where they were sheltered from the fire. Then, with a cry of warning to the defenders, they dashed into the garden, where the attacking party had deployed itself. At the same instant, the men in the road raised a shout.

Indians are good fighters as long as they command and understand the situation. But when they are attacked by a force whose numbers they do not know, and which appears to drop from the clouds, they prefer to withdraw. It is the same with half-breeds. When Parker and his men arrived in the garden they could not find a single foe. A few minutes later they heard the sound of galloping hoofs from down the road where Gervoise and his band had tied their horses. He immediately sent a portion of his force in pursuit, but it was evident that the

rebels were well mounted, and that some of them, at least, knew the country well, for his men returned shortly and reported that they had completely lost track of them.

Parker had not captured a prisoner, but two of the breeds were found dead among the bushes, where the bullets of Shaw's men had discovered them. Shaw himself had received a rather nasty flesh wound, and he was ill for several weeks, during which time he was faithfully nursed by the devoted Nellie. On his recovery, they unanimously decided that, as there was no telling what might happen before the fall, they should be united at once. Accordingly, they celebrated the happy event a short time after, and, from a visit the writer paid them a short time ago, he judges that neither has repented of the arrangement. It was from the lips of Shaw himself that he heard the main facts of this story, and a pretty, cheerful-looking matron smiled bewitchingly at him during the recital.

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All's Well that Ends Well.

A bachelor sat in his chair—and he thought—
And he made up his mind that he wouldn't be caught;
And yet he wanted to do what he ought;
And he thought, and he thought, and he thought.

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And she made up her mind that she wouldn't be caught;
And yet she wanted to do as she ought;
And she thought, and she thought, and she thought.

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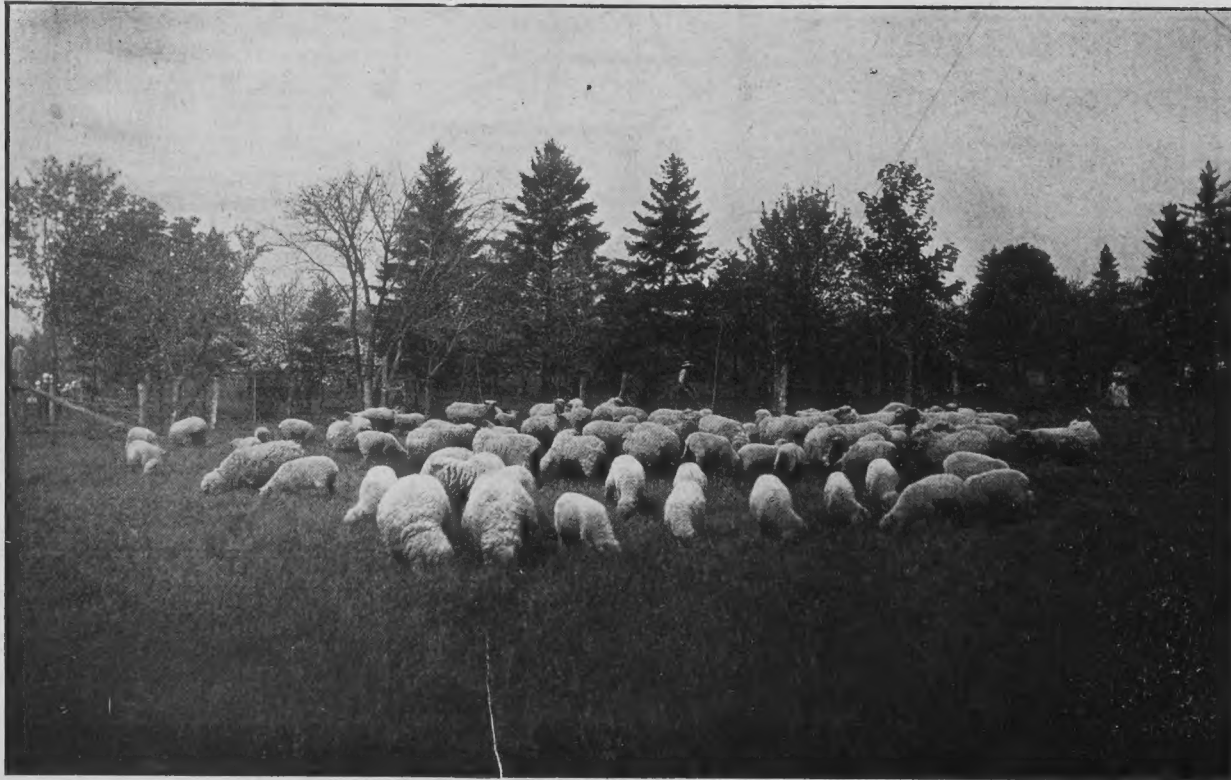
I was in a barn not long since that was nearly completed. I asked the owner how he was going to arrange the basement for the stock and he said he had not thought anything about that. When he came later to partition off, he said he would give most anything if he had built it a little wider, as it was too narrow for two rows of stock and too wide for one, without waste. The consequences are that every time he goes into that barn he will have that to regret, when, if he had used due forethought and judgment, it might have been avoided and

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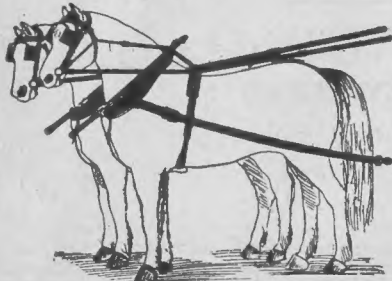
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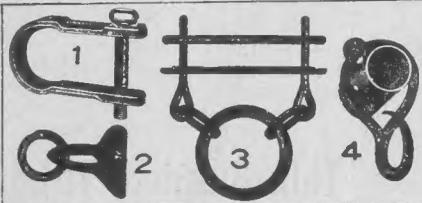
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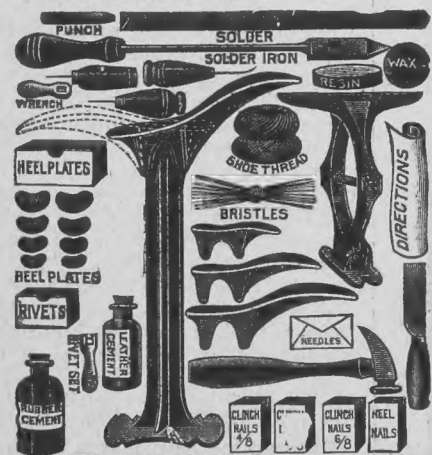
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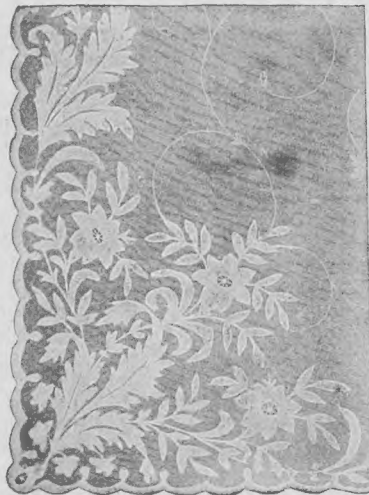
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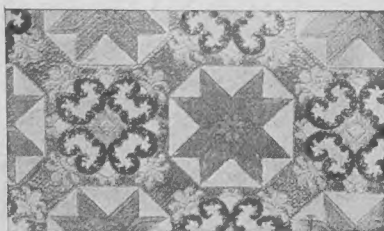
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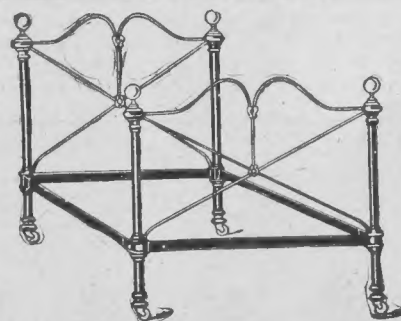
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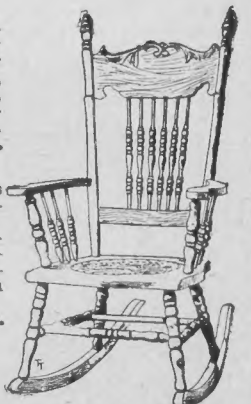
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THE HERD ON THE MARCH.

David Harbest's Ambition.

Written for The Western Home Monthly by Appin.

"I am going to the post office, now, mother," said a bright young girl one day towards the last of May. "I can hardly stay in the house a minute, it is so lovely out." So, putting on her hat, May Blair started down the sunny street humming unconsciously to herself.

Five years ago Mrs. Blair had been left a widow by the death of the village doctor. She had been left neither wealthy nor poor. Her income enabled her to rent a pleasant little cottage in the village of Riverside and here she lived with her only daughter May, who had spent two years at the Ladies' College, Obane, but as both found the separation too painful, she again came to Riverside and enjoyed a quiet, happy life.

To-day the bright sun and all the signs of summer thrilled her through and through. She revelled in life and beauty. The world seemed wonderful to her to-day—life seemed so full of happiness and rich possibilities.

When she reached the post office there was the usual crowd waiting for their mail. They were talking in an animated way, but stopped when she entered. She nodded to all in her bright way, but they did not go on talking as before, and she thought she detected a pitying glance from the old grey-haired minister. However, it did not trouble her, as she got her mail and returned home.

She joined her mother in the small well-kept garden. "Nothing but the paper, mother mine," she said, "so come and sit down beside me and I'll read you the gossip tid-bits from Obane."

She read several items of news aloud in a clear, mellow voice, then stopped suddenly, and her face took on a deathly whiteness. She handed the paper to her mother, pointing to a special paragraph. Her mother read:

"The marriage of D. A. Harbest, son of Dr. Harbest, of Riverside, and Annette Watson, daughter of Judge Watson, of Obane, is announced for June."

There was a silence for a few moments: both were thinking too deeply for words.

They had known David Harbest for years. When home for his vacations

he had spent more than half his time at their cottage, where he was always a welcome visitor. He had spoken no word of marriage to May, but she knew well that he loved her; indeed, everybody knew. But at times she had vaguely felt that he was trying to fight against his love for her, and now she recalled his last talk when he had dropped in for a few minutes to tell her that he was going to Annandale to practice law and added that influence and good connections were all that were needed now for almost immediate success and wealth.

Mrs. Blair left her daughter for a while to fight it out alone, she meanwhile thinking of some plan to spare her daughter the comments of her village friends and turn her attention from her sorrow.

That evening mother and daughter had a long talk. They concluded to go with Mrs. Blair's sister to her summer house on the Hudson, and May finished by saying, "Now, mother, let neither of us by word or look show to our friends the pain and sorrow David's conduct has caused us."

David half suspected the pain he was giving to May by what he endured himself, and instead of coming home had his father and mother join him in Obane until the marriage should take place. He knew, too, that it was the best thing for himself, for he had to daily keep before his mind the advantages of an alliance with Annette Watson. He now looked forward to his wedding day to put an end to part of his misery at any rate, for he would then have taken the step which would bind his life with another woman and henceforth he would have to think of that woman, not of May Blair. Not a thought of the injury he was doing to the flighty, gay Annette Watson ever crossed his mind.

A few days before his marriage he saw by the evening paper that Mrs. and Miss Blair, of Riverside, were guests at the "Queen's," on their way to the summer home of Mrs. J. W. Cook, of New York.

He debated with himself for fully an hour whether he should go to see her or not. Could he risk the sight of her beautiful face once more? Any-

way, he could not resist the temptation of being near, if only once again, the girl he loved. "It is my right," he said, "for all I have to give up." He made all haste to the hotel, but found Mrs. Blair alone; she met him in a dignified and courteous way, but the old friendly interest was lacking. They talked for about half an hour, when May entered with a friend, Dr. Ore. She had more color in her face than she had had for the past two weeks and taking in the situation at a glance, she greeted David as she would have any other friend. After congratulating him very prettily (so well did she do it that he came to the conclusion that after all he had no claims on her heart), she entertained them all in a way altogether beyond her own and her mother's expectations. Dr. Ore was especially charmed and David returned to his hotel with the greatest pain at heart he had ever known. Little did the two gentlemen think of the pain endured by the girl almost the whole remainder of the night. The reaction had set in; it had been too much of a strain and now she suffered as only natures like hers can suffer.

The wedding came off with great splendor and the bridal couple left for Europe for a six months' honeymoon.

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Four years have passed away since the events of the last chapter. May Blair is now a wife and mother. Two years after David's marriage she plighted her troth with a man endowed with all the qualities she, in all the glamour

of her first love, imagined David to have.

Harold Lyall was a noble character; in every respect well worthy of the love of his beautiful wife. He was also rich in worldly goods and when he, at his wife's suggestion, took up his residence in Obane, he became one of the leading men of the city, not so much on account of his wealth as his upright, honest character and influence.

But how had time dealt with David Harbest? For the first year or so all went well: they had a magnificent home and entertained a great deal. Of course it was beyond David's means, but when he, through the influence of his father-in-law, would attain the position for which he had so long attained and given up so much it would be all satisfactorily arranged. But he never got the success that he craved for, and, at the end of four years, he was a disappointed man. His wife had discovered long before the reason of his marrying her and it embittered her so that instead of healing the breach she widened it and now their only bond of sympathy was their two children. With his usual selfishness he partly blamed her: if he had married May Blair he would at least have been free of debt. But the crash came too soon. He had appropriated thousands of dollars which did not belong to him and invested that he felt sure would get him out of debt, but it failed. What could he do? He had no friend to help him at this crisis. Could he endure the consequences of his crime? Anything but that—he would leave all. They would surely have some mercy on his wife and children and when he had retrieved his fortunes in the Western States he would send for his family.

That evening Mrs. Harbest waited for her husband in vain. The next morning she received a double blow—they were ruined and her husband had deserted her. Before her relatives could reach her she was virtually turned into the street with her two helpless children. She was removed to her old home as soon as possible, but when, a month later, a baby boy was born to a name of shame, she gave up the struggle and was glad to find rest and quietness under the sod.

Four more years have passed away. In a large town in the Western States David Harbest is gradually winning wealth. But, oh! the load of crime he has been compelled to carry all those years. The restless longing for the scenes of his boyhood which he would never see again—the remorse for every step he had taken since he gave up May Blair. His children joined him in his new home and in them he found his only rest.

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"Dust—Mud with the juice squeezed out of it."

"Snoring—Letting off sleep."

"Apples—The bubbles that apple trees blow."

"Backbiter—A mosquito."

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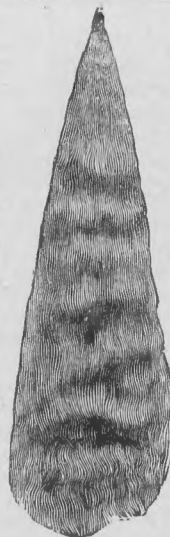
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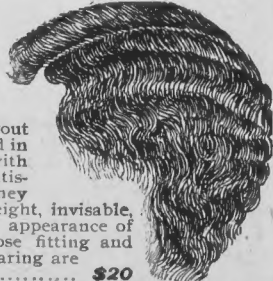
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Reindeer in Alaska.

In the year 1901 Dr. Jackson, of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C., brought over from Siberia sixteen reindeer and started a little colony of them in Unalaska, an island lying off the bleak coast of Alaska. The Scientific American says that at first the experiment was looked on as rather a waste of time and money, but time came to the rescue, and it was clearly proved that these animals could be successfully imported and taken care of, so that now \$25,000 is appropriated annually by the United States for increasing the supply. The reindeer have taken kindly to the native moss, which forms their principle article of food and of course needs no outlay for cultivation. There is said to be enough of this moss in Alaska to furnish plenty of food for 10,000,000 reindeer.

The first lot of reindeer imported were selected from the Chukches, a tough and hardy breed. Next, some of the Tunguse stock, larger and stronger than the others, were brought over. The price of the former in Siberia is about \$4 for a full-grown animal, and of the latter about \$7.50 apiece.

At the present rate of increase, even if no more are imported, there will be at least 1,000,000 reindeer in Alaska in less than twenty-five years. To go a step further, it will not be at all surprising, in the opinion of some, if this industry should grow to be one of considerable commercial importance to the United States, and it has been estimated that in some thirty-five years Alaska may be in a position to sell annually half a million to a million reindeer carcasses, besides furnishing several thousand tons of hams and tongues.

The profits that can be realized from reindeer are, if correctly quoted, very large. For instance, a fawn during the first four years of its life costs the owner less than a dollar a year, while at the end of that period it is worth \$50 to \$100 for its meat, and nearly double that amount if trained for the sled or as a pack animal.

The does are very prolific, and after the year may be counted on to add to the herd a fawn a year for some ten years. They also furnish very rich milk, which is said to make excellent cheese, the quantity of milk averaging about a teacupful at a milking.

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The Swiss government has passed a law prohibiting parents afflicting their children with fantastic and absurd Christian names.



Reindeer Riding.

The Boy and the Bear.

About two hundred years ago a rich and powerful nobleman named Leopold was duke of the Province of Lorraine. The duke was very fond of animals.

Among his savage pets was a great bear, whose name was Marco.

Marco was housed in a rough hut in the corner of his royal master's park. He was supplied with the best of food by the keeper of the animals; and on state occasions he was led out by a big iron chain, and made to dance for the amusement of Leopold's friends.

Marco was fierce; and, when he swung his shaggy head out of the door of his hut and showed his white teeth in an ugly snarl, no one dared to go

the other, and shivering with the cold!

The boy was a homeless child, who had lost his way in the duke's forest, and had run into the bear's hut for shelter.

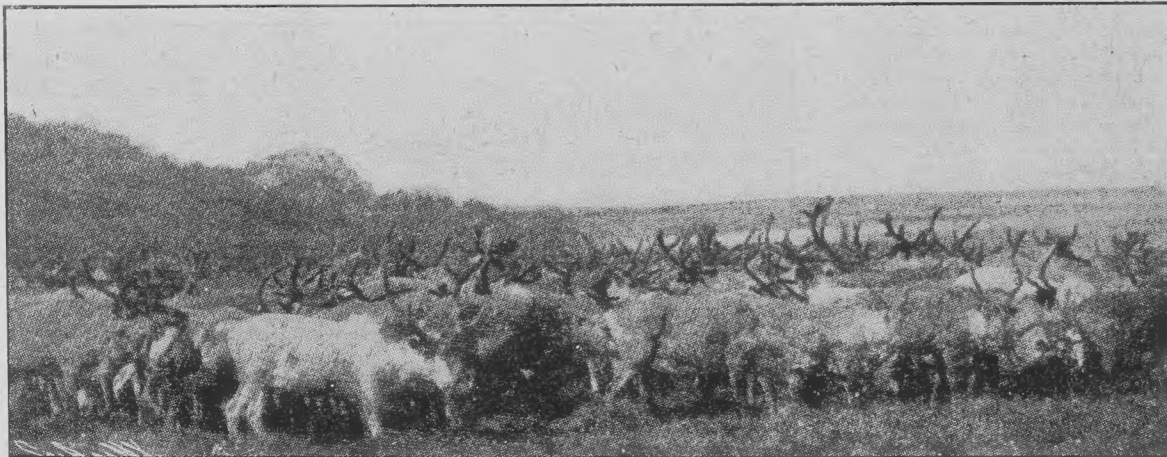
Marco did not know who this newcomer might be, but he was so surprised that he quite forgot to growl. Then a strange thing happened—so strange that, if this were not a true story, I should not ask you to believe it. The boy ran over to Marco, and, peering into the shaggy face, cried joyfully: "Why, you are the duke's funny bear that I saw dancing the other day! Won't you be my friend? I need one so much!"

The bear did not understand what the boy said, but he understood the kind hand that stroked his head. That had meant, "I love you." Marco had never been loved in all of his rough, bearish life—at least, not since the days before he had been caught in the deep forest, a frightened baby, screaming for his mother.

Now a great answering love filled his wild heart. He allowed the little lad to lie down beside him, warmed by his furry coat; and together they slept through the night.

In the morning the boy went away, but came back to his friend in the evening. This happened for several days. Marco shared his food with his visitor, and they became fast cronies.

One day the keeper was surprised to see that Marco left his supper untouched; and instead of hurrying away



A Herd of Reindeer in Alaska.

near him. One blow from his paw would have knocked a man senseless, and those white teeth of his were very sharp.

One cold winter night Marco, having swallowed his supper at a few grips, shambled back into the farthest corner of his hut and curled himself up to sleep. He was just at the "falling-off" point, when he heard a sound at the house door. He started up; and what should he see but a small boy, hopped first on one foot, and then on

to feed the other animals, he stayed to watch the bear.

Marco sat in the door of his hut, patiently waiting for his boy. The keeper offered to take away the food; but he received such a fierce look that he set it down again, and hid behind a tree, to see what would happen next. In a moment, to his amazement, a child ran up to the bear. The keeper sprang forward to snatch him out of harm's way; but the boy had already thrown his arms about his faithful

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friend, and in a twinkling they finished the waiting supper together.

Duke Leopold was brought to the hut to see this wonderful pair, and soon the story of the boy and the bear had spread throughout the land.

Duke Leopold gave orders that the poor child should be brought to his palace, to be educated and cared for. The little lad made many friends in his beautiful new home, but I think that he never found a dearer one than the bear Marco.—Cora H. Carver.

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A young man in a large dry goods store was asked by a customer for some goods which the firm had had on hand for a long time. The customer was pleased with the articles, but before he purchased them he asked the question: "Are the goods of the latest commercial value and style?" The young man at once knew that they were not, but he hesitated a moment, thinking that if he would tell him

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The Island of Malta.

By Mrs. Julia A. Symington.

The island of Malta differs in so many respects from any other place in the world that it seems a waste of space and time to connote an account of it to the limits of a tourist's eye and pen. I should think myself very stupid indeed, after hearing so much, to not know so little of Malta, were it not that I had "there are others." We landed at Valetta, which is the entrepot and port of the island. It is perhaps the best fortified place in the world. It would seem as if every point of attack was as securely guarded as human ingenuity could suggest. Not only are the fortifications extensive, but additional precautions are taken against siege by storing vast amounts of provisions in especially prepared vaults or "caches," somewhat after the manner employed by the American Indians.

The island is seventeen miles long and eight wide, and has a population of between 2,000 or 3,000 to the square mile. Valetta is compactly built, beautiful and massive. The buildings as a whole are the best I ever saw anywhere, and partake somewhat in massiveness of the fortifications which surround them. Everything is stone—houses, fences, walls, walks and roads. Since anything like a detailed description is rather impracticable, I must confine myself chiefly to the two features which give the city its interest to tourists—the Knights of Malta and the place where St. Paul the Apostle was shipwrecked. It seems to be well authenticated that Paul was cast ashore, with those accompanying him, at a point just outside the city of Valetta. The spot is marked by a monument and chapel.

The Knights of Malta (or St. John, as they were originally known) have a most romantic history. The Order was founded in the eleventh century and confirmed as a military order by the Pope of Rome. After defeating the Turks at Antioch they moved to Smyrna, later to Cyprus, and finally to Rhodes, where they remained for 200 years; hence are sometimes called the Knights of Rhodes. They successfully repelled the Ottoman invasion of Europe until 1522, when they were overpowered by vastly superior numbers. After this defeat, Charles V. of Spain gave them the island of Malta, where the Turks again attempted to dislodge them, but without success. Their gallantry in this notable struggle elicited the admiration of the Christian world. Under the leadership of Valetta, the famous Grand Master, the City of Valetta was founded and the present fortifications begun. Subsequently they maintained piratical expeditions against the Mohammedans, and their success resulted in a moral and religious decay, as was inevitable. With the growth of luxury and vice, their vows of temperance and chastity were disregarded, and the most abandoned fast livers of Europe flocked to their standard. Thus passed the golden age of these most illustrious knights, to whom the world is indebted for preventing the overrunning of Europe by the Mohammedans at a time when that continent could not protect itself, which, had it occurred, would have made the free institutions of our own land an impossibility.

Aside from the fortifications, the places of chief interest are the government house, where a large hall is devoted to the trophies of the Knights of Malta, and the parliament house, where the Maltese council sits. The governor-general's chair is 300 years old, and the walls are hung with the richest Gobelin tapestries in the world. These are immense pieces, allegorical representations of Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America. These tapestries are said to be 200 years old, and worth \$400,000. Age has not

dimmed the figures and coloring, they being distinct and bright as the best oil paintings. Some of them have been repaired, while others have never been, two being in Paris now for that purpose. We thought ourselves honored when asked, "Would you like to sit a moment in the governor's chair and rest?" "Yes; thank you very much for the privilege, if I may." "You may now," and I was politely shown into the august chair of state, all crimson and gold.

The Church of St. John is the most conspicuous object in Malta, and is one of the most remarkable in Europe. It is located on the supposed site of the Mount Publius, mentioned in the New Testament. The decorations of the walls, ceilings and columns consist of elaborate carvings in the stone of which the building is constructed. These are variously colored, the chief coloring being gold. The effect is novel, striking, and indescribable, as it is so different from any other church we saw. Pictures even, could not, to our mind, portray the effect. The Church of the Monks, or Church of Bones, as it is also called, is an object of interest. It is a chapel decorated

island to die." From Valetta, the port of call, famous for its harbor, we visited Citta Vecchia by sail. This city gives evidence of age, claims to have been founded 700 B.C., was once the ancient capital city of stately palaces and crumbling old-world fortifications. How often we were brought to the scenes of New Testament story of Paul's shipwreck. We were shown the grotto in which he lived during his stay. It was late in autumn, and the northeast rain is very chilly still, even when the thermometer is not very low.

The people of Malta are still kind to strangers, as they were to the shipwrecked mariners. A fire was kindled; for most among those who gathered sticks was Paul. "the noblest Roman of them all." His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him "that nature might stand up and say to all the world, this was a man!" Among the fagots a semi-dormant viper sprang forth and fastened on his hand. In warm climates it is deadly, and this may have been the asp, that is twelve or eighteen inches long, such as caused the death of Cleopatra. This must have been deadly, or the people would not have expected him to die. There are now no venomous serpents in Malta. The natives inferred that Paul was a murderer, although he had escaped from the sea, vengeance had followed. The first instinct of religion seemed to have been, with these natives, a connection between guilt and retribution; the sleepless, never-dying of wrong; the Nemesis who presides over retribution; the vengeance that



Principal Harbor of Malta

with the well preserved bones of the early monks who belonged to the order, but is not equal in size or variety of ornamentation to the cells and burying ground of the Capuchin Monks in Rome, now a thing of the past. Of the people of Malta only one-tenth, it is said, can read or write; although they seem naturally bright and susceptible of educational advancement, judging from the street display of the children dressed for a carnival, they might be taught anything that any child should know to make them useful citizens in any country, as well as Malta. Wages are very low and the population overcrowded, necessarily resulting in much beggary. Pedlars and beggars are persistently plentiful. The natives are a mixture of the Arabic and Italian, with a language which is a cross between the two nationalities. They are industrious and temperate. The men are goldsmiths and artificers and stone-cutters, while the women make beautiful hand-made lace which is almost, if not quite, the equal of that made in Brussels, and very much cheaper. Fully 90 per cent. of the people are Roman Catholics, if the soldiers, now numbering 10,000 or 11,000, are excluded.

The climate is equable for the greater part of the year, but is quite hot in summer. There are many fine gardens, vineyards and orange groves, but they seem small in extent. It is a great health resort, and the boast is that "chronic invalids have to leave the

suffereth not the murderer to live; the whips and scorpions of the furies. How far removed from this view was the teaching of Christ! Jesus declared that the falling of the Tower of Siloam on certain persons did not prove them sinners above all others. It does seem clear to-day that no one but the omniscient God can tell how far suffering is the sign of special sin. There are many other reasons for suffering beside wrong-doing, and no judgment has been committed to mortals. With per-



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fect composure, Paul shook the repulse from his hand, and ran no harm. The natives quickly changed their minds and looked upon Paul now as a god. For three days they received courteous treatment from the governor, until they could make other arrangements for their three-months stay on the island. In return for this kindness, Paul was the instrument in God's hand of the cure of the governor's father. Navigation opening in February, they again embarked in an Alexandrian ship for Rome, which he entered, not so much a criminal as an apostle, with hosts of friends. Later on in our cruise we were shown the spot where Paul stood to plead his own case before the Casarean ruler at Rome, 29 or 30, A.D.

Malta is so curiously marked by the history of this apostle's visit that it seems fitting to close this sketch by the traditional account of the spot where he met his death. It is marked by one of the most lovely churches of Christendom, St. Paul's without the walls of Rome. Close to this church is the Convent of the Three Fountains, where Paul, according to the tradition, was benedicted, the three fountains bursting forth at the three strokes of Paul's head upon the ground. Oh! what is death? 'Tis life's shore, Where vanities are vain no more; Where all pursuits their goal obtain And life is all retouched again; Where, in their bright result, shall rise Thoughts, virtues, friendships, griefs and joys.

After visiting the governor's palace and grounds, which was a delightful picture of elegance combined with comfort, and an education in fine art, coupled with a wonderful military display, we purchased pictures of St. Paul's Bay, and a little Maltese lace, and at four o'clock were conducted back to our good ship Moltke, well pleased with our visit to the Island of Malta, short though it had been.

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Then splitting headache supervened, and all power of speech was lost.

to be the case, the average now is fifteen per cent.

When the plague visited us recently, people cried out in horror that the Black Death had returned. The Black death was doubtless a form of the Oriental plague, but it was as much more terrible as smallpox is worse than measles. The black spots on the body, the putrid inflammation of the lungs, and others of the worst symptoms of Black Death are absent in the plague as we know it to-day. Black Death was one of those awful visitations which modern science has practically killed.

"Scarce one among a hundred that



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Strep and death followed, not one patient in twenty surviving. This affection, which became known as ironclad fever, has been completely abolished by the introduction of proper ventilating apparatus, and the steel warship of to-day is one of the healthiest vessels afloat.

Between 1848 and 1850 zymotic, or infectious disease, killed twenty-two per cent. of all the people who died in the United Kingdom. To-day the mortality from this cause has fallen to fourteen in every one hundred deaths. For this decrease modern sanitation and science are directly responsible. One of the worst of the infectious diseases of our grandfathers' time was typhus, often known as camp

sickens escapes with life," says the old writer, Holinshed, of the sweating sickness which fell upon this country in 1645, just after Henry VII. had won the battle of Bosworth. Two Lord Mayors of London died within one week. It is not known how many were killed by this terrible plague, but it has been called by historians, "The Great Mortality." It was an inflammatory fever which seemed to burn up the sufferer, while the whole body exuded a fetid perspiration. A fearful thirst was caused, but a drink of cold water killed it instantly.

This is another of the diseases which science and sanitation seem to have entirely abolished. That the plague itself will eventually be entirely con-



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fever or gaol fever. It was this which caused that Black Assize of terrible memory. On July 6th, 1577, the assizes at Oxford were closed. Great discontent had been caused by a peculiarly cruel sentence passed by the judge.

On that day broke out a pestilence which, within the next fortnight, killed the chief officials who sat on the Bench, the jury and some 300 others. It was black typhus. Typhus is not yet extinct, but it is now a comparatively rare disease, and instead of fifty per cent. of the patients dying as used



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That tries the soldier's breast;
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The crane amidst the foundry
With noiseless movement runs,
And without voice or trumpet
It lifts aloft its tons.

The bridge that with its girders
The mighty gorge has spanned
Was by the chief and draughtsman
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A hundred may be gleaners
Where one has sown the seed;
If idle were the thinker,
Undone would be the deed.

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Most of the things that worry us
Don't matter much;
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At every touch.
There's nothing that's of great concern
Except to live, and love, and learn.

Suppose the world don't go our way,
What of it then?
We have the better chance to-day
To act like men,
And still insist at every turn
We're here to live, and love, and learn.

It isn't doing what we would
That counts for most;
It's being brave, and kind, and good,
Amid the host;
Far better than to crave and yearn
It's just to live, and love, and learn.

We make too much of ease and joy,
And sordid gain;
The things that vex us and annoy,
The toll and pain,
And every malady we spurn
May help us live, and love, and learn.

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The brain of a child at birth weighs under ten ounces, but at the end of a year has increased to two pounds. Full growth is attained by men at about twenty years of age and by women at eighteen years.

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Candles are used extensively in Mexico, owing to the great expense of

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Lots of marriages hinge on a swinging gate.

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If love came when folk wanted it, they wouldn't want it when it came.

Whenever a woman gets an idea that she is looking pale she always insinuates to her husband that she is worrying about his health.

Sam's Thoughts.

Sometimes I wish that I could be

As merry as the birds I see,

That always fly and sing;

But then, when I see mother's cake

I suddenly see my mistake,

And glad as anything

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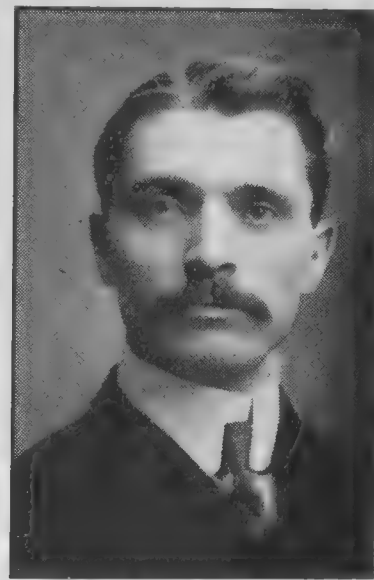
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the entire amount of scholarship money awarded by the university. It is needless to add that Wesley College is affiliated with Manitoba University and has been affiliated with it for over sixteen years. The gentlemen responsible for the marvellous success achieved by Wesley College are worthy of the good wishes of all who are interested in the advance of higher education.

to the college funds will be continued in the future as in the past. The attendance shows a steady increase every year, the students coming mainly from Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. In fact, the steady increasing



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The popularity of Royal Crown soap is attested to by every woman who uses it throughout the length and breadth of this Dominion. The demand for it is on the increase and last year the business done by the Royal Crown Soap Company was the largest in the history of the company.

The Hudson's Bay Co. are conducting a mammoth sale during the months of January and February and it will be to the advantage of thrifty buyers to carefully peruse the page ad. of the H. B. Co. on another page of this publication.

The Scott Furniture Co., Winnipeg, will mail free of charge a copy of their handsome illustrated catalogue to any person writing them and mentioning the Western Home Monthly.

M. B. Lee, ladies' tailor, will make to measure an \$18 skirt for \$15 for a short time only. Read his ad. on another page.

The Mason & Risch Co., Winnipeg, announce a sale of secondhand pianos. Some rare bargains are offered.

S. L. Barrowclough is offering special inducements to buyers of new pianos and claims an increased demand for Morris pianos.

The Whaley-Royce Co. are offering special bargains in music boxes.

The Flathead Valley Oil Lands and Development Company, Limited, have opened an office in Winnipeg and offer stock for sale in the oil fields of Western Canada. Note their ad. on another page of this issue.

The Manitoba Hair Goods Company make a special announcement to readers of The Western Home Monthly on another page.

J. Hart & Co. offer Webster's Dictionary at \$4.00 by mail.

Russell, Lang & Co. advertise the popular game "Panic" at a reduced price.

Blue Ribbon Tea is said to be gaining in popularity all the time. Last year's business was a record breaker.

D. R. Dingwall & Co. are offering special inducements in jewellery. Note their ad. in this issue of The Monthly.

W. J. Hammond, high class furrier, announces in this issue a sale of high class furs at a specially reduced price.

The Keeley treatment as a cure for the drink habit is said to be a success. They claim to remove the appetite for strong drink.

To an Ugly Child.

Poor child! thy lot, unfortunate, is hard,
Full hard for resignation: yet be still;
True comeliness, a spirit yet unmarred,
The measure of thy happiness shall fill.
Consisteth not in beauty nor in grace
Outward feature, majesty of life:
Demeanor or figure, nor of face
Degradeth where the love of God is ripe.
Live, only live, thy days as unto Him
Who fashion'd thee for service, knowing
well
The lamp, how'er pretentious, burneth dim
Untrimm'd; the simplest, tended, doth excel.
Not shapely symmetry, attractive mien,
Or comely face shall win the approving
smile
Of Him who looketh on the heart within
And findeth rich whom man esteemeth vile
Then up! be doing! not alone resigned
But satisfied: go! spend thyself in love,
And, occupied for others, thou shalt find
Thy comeliness consummated above.
—Viator.

"You want a flogging, that's what you do," said a parent to his unruly son.
"I know it, dad, but I'll try to get along without it," replied the kid.

The American Hen.

Numbered 238,598,005 at the last census.
Her value was in round numbers \$70,000,000.
Her total production in 1900 was worth \$281,178,247.

Eggs are highest in Alaska, average 43 cents per dozen; cheapest in Texas, average 7.7 cents per dozen.
Great is the hen.

Dyspepsia as a cause of eye trouble is too little considered, says M.



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She laid over 1,250,000,000 dozens of eggs, or 203 for every inhabitant of this country.

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This offer itself should convince you that Liquezone does as we claim. We would certainly not buy a bottle and give it to you if there was any doubt of results. You want those results; you want to be well and to keep well. And you can't do that—nobody can—without Liquezone.

We Paid \$100,000

For the American rights to Liquezone. We did this after testing the product for two years, through physicians and hospitals, after proving, in thousands of different cases, that Liquezone destroys the cause of any germ disease.

Liquezone has, for more than 21 years, been the constant subject of scientific and chemical research. It is not made by compounding drugs, nor with alcohol. Its virtues are derived solely from gas—largely oxygen gas—by a process requiring immense apparatus and 14 days' time. The result is a Liquid that does what oxygen does. It is a nerve food and blood food—the

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There lies the great value of Liquezone. It is the only way known to kill germs in the body without killing the tissue too. Any drug that kills germs is a poison, and it cannot be taken internally. Every physician knows that medicine is almost helpless in any germ disease.

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These are the known germ diseases. All that medicine can do for these troubles is to help Nature overcome the germs, and such results are indirect and uncertain. Liquezone attacks the germs, wherever they are. And when the germs which cause a disease are destroyed, the disease must end, and forever. That is inevitable.

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352 Give full address—write plainly.

Any physician or hospital not yet using Liquezone will be gladly supplied for a test.

A Few Facts About Canada.

Quebec is 296 years old.
Toronto is 111 years old.
Halifax is 156 years old.
Montreal is 262 years old.
Winnipeg is thirty-five years old.
Canada exported nearly \$12,000,000 worth.

Canada's fisheries have yielded since 1869, \$377,000,000.

Canada's public schools are taught by 30,000 teachers.

Canada's fishery industry produced \$22,000,000 last year.

Canada spends \$12,000,000 annually on her public schools.

Canada has 500 miles of irrigation canals in the Northwest.

Canada is thirty-seven years old, if dated from Confederation.

Canada has 19,000 public schools, attended by 1,105,000 pupils.

Canada is 145 years old, if dated from the British conquest of 1759.

The first car load of cattle was shipped from the Northwest in 1895.

Cod comes first, to the value of \$125,000,000; salmon next, \$74,000,000.

Canada is 370 years old, if dated from Jacques Cartier's visit in 1535.

The area under wheat in the Northwest has more than doubled in four years.

Great Britain buys \$131,000,000 worth of wheat per year; Canada sells her only \$24,000,000 worth.

Canada exported, in 1903, 60,000 head of beef cattle, besides those sold for local consumption.

Average wheat yield in the Northwest for the last twelve years was eighteen bushels per acre.

Twenty-five years ago the cattle industry of the North-West was represented by twenty-five head.

Canada has seventeen Universities, forty-six colleges, twelve academies and five agricultural colleges.

The C. P. R. has let a three-million dollar contract for twenty miles of irrigation canal near Calgary.

Lord Strathcona asserts that within ten years Canada can produce all the grain required by Great Britain.

At present 750,000 animals are being pastured in the Northwest, viz., 400,000 cattle, 200,000 sheep, and 150,000 horses.

Canada has a continuous waterway of 2,300 miles from the mouth of the St. Lawrence to the head of Lake Superior.

Canada sold the United Kingdom \$100,000,000 worth of farm produce of all kinds last year out of \$555,000,000 worth she bought.

Canada has twenty-four round-ups of cattle and horses in her Northwest, and twenty thousand different brands are registered.

Canada has 140,000 men employed in the fishery industry. Nova Scotia comes first, New Brunswick second, and British Columbia third in the fishing industry.

The C.P.R. intends to build a four hundred mile canal along the Bow River. This scheme will irrigate millions of acres—one-half of which will be fit for grazing and the other half for growing cereals.



WHY THE BUTTER DOESN'T COME.

Canada's forest products total \$80,000,000.

Canada has spent \$800,000,000 on her railways.

The government railways are 1,510 miles long.

The Grand Trunk system is 3,162 miles long.

Canada exports \$36,000,000 worth of forest products.

There are 6,600 miles of railway north of Lake Superior, whereas there was not a single mile at confederation.

Canada's mineral production in 1903 was \$63,000,000.

Canada has produced \$200,000,000 in gold since 1862.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has 7,319 miles of track.

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Poultry raising with a Chatham Incubator is a very profitable and easily managed occupation. Unless you want to go into it extensively it need take but very little of your time. Government reports show that the demand for chickens in Canada is greatly in excess of the supply, and Great Britain is always clamoring for more. That means a steady market and good prices for chickens.

You cannot raise chickens successfully with a setting hen. She is wasting time setting when she should be laying. While she is hatching and brooding a few chickens she could be laying five or six dozen eggs. The percentage of chickens she hatches is much less than that produced by the Chatham Incubator.

It will pay you to own a Chatham Incubator.

Chatham Incubators contain every improvement of importance in Incubator construction that has been produced. They are made of thoroughly seasoned wood, with two walls, case within case. Between these walls mineral wool is packed, forming the very best insulation. Each piece of the case is mortised and grooved and screwed, making the whole as solid as a rock. Chatham Incubators are equipped with scientifically perfect regulators, which are an infallible means of regulating the temperature.

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We will start you raising poultry for profit with a Chatham Incubator without one cent of money from you until next Fall. That means that you can take off seven or eight hatches and make considerable money out of the Incubator before the first payment becomes due.

We couldn't make this offer if we were not certain that if you accept it you will get complete satisfaction, if we were not positive that the Chatham Incubator will pay you a handsome yearly income.

This is a straightforward offer. We make it to show our supreme confidence in the Chatham Incubator. We want you to accept this offer, as we are sure of the satisfaction our incubator will give. Every machine we have put out so far has made other sales in the same neighborhood.

Our offer is to send you a Chatham Incubator at once, freight prepaid by us, without one cent of cash from you. You make your first payment in October, 1905. The balance to be paid in October, 1906, or if a Cash Buyer you get it cheaper. Could any offer be fairer or more generous?

The Incubator and Brooder that I bought from your agent, on time, I wish now to pay the whole amount this fall, if you will give me a discount. I am very much pleased with both Incubator and Brooder, and would not be without them, because I cleared this season more than the Incubator and Brooder cost me.

I wish to let you know of my success with your Incubator. Out of 124 eggs I got 74 chicks, and out of my second hatch I got 94 from 106 eggs. I find the machine a pure success, it runs according to directions. The brooder is a wonder, and I have not lost a chick as yet, and they are almost feathered.

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On the Farm of Geo. Scully, Elgin, Man.

Sh-h-h!

My maw—she's upstairs, in bed,
An' It's there wif' her.
It's all bundled up an' red—
Can't nobody stir;
Can't nobody say a word
Since It come to us.
Only thing 'at I have heard,
'Ceptin' all It's fuss,
Is "Sh-h-h!"

That there nurse, she shakes her head
When I come up-stairs.
'Sh-h-h!' she sez—'at's all she's said
To me, anywhere.
Doctor—he's th' man 'at brung
It to us to stay—
He makes me put out my tongue,
'Nen sez "Sh-h-h!" 'at way!
Jest "Sh-h-h!"

I goed in to see my maw,
'Nen clumb on th' bed.
Was she glad to see me? Pshaw;
'Sh-h-h!'—'at's what she said!
'Nen I blinked an' tried to see,
'Nen I runned away
Out to my old apple tree
Where no one could say
'Sh-h-h!"

'Nen I lay down on th' ground
An' say 'at I jest wish
I was big! An' there's a sound—
'At old tree sez "Sh-h-h!"
'Nen I cry an' cry an' cry
Till my paw, he hears,
An' mop up th' tears—
'Nen sez "Sh-h-h!"

I'll go tell my maw 'at she
Don't suit me one bit—
Why d' all say "Sh-h-h!" to me
An' not say "Sh-h-h!" to It?

Things Worth Knowing.

To clean brass kettles, scour with vinegar and salt.

Nutmegs should be grated at the blossom end to obtain best results.

If you want your lemons grated evenly, begin at the end and work around them.

If you will wipe your cutlery dry and wrap in coarse brown paper it will not rust.

Keep your cheese moist by dipping a linen cloth in vinegar and wrapping the cheese in it.

To rid a room of mosquitoes burn a piece of camphor gum, about the size of a walnut, on a plate.

If you will add a grain of salt to cream it will whip more readily, and the taste is in no way affected.



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American Oppossum Muffs, now selling at.....	5 00
Electr'c Seal Muffs, now selling at.....	4 00
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Dyed Wolf Muffs now selling at.....	8 00
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Mexican Children.

In Mexico a group of lads from seven to twelve will meet, and each boy will decorously lift his hat, and salutations of extreme courtesy will be exchanged, and then comes the boyish chatter, the run and the laughter, the same as anywhere. Boys here treat their elders with respect. An old man or woman is not the butt of the youth of Mexico, rather for the old people

Lincoln and His Books.

It is frequently said that the young people of to-day read too many books. It is not difficult to believe this, when one remembers what strong types of intellectual greatness have been developed through the thorough study of a very few of the masterpieces of literature. Lincoln in his boyhood had access to four books, the Bible, "Pilgrim's

nothing of literature?" He got it from the English Bible and from Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress"—two books which represent the rhythm, the idiom, the majesty and the power of the English language.

A moderate amount of dignity is always in order in business affairs—a lack of it is often detrimental.

FARMER TELLS OF
A BAD TWO YEARS

Then Dodd's Kidney Pills Drove
Away All His Pains.

Was Bent Over With Pain and Hardly
Able to Work Till He Used the Great
Canadian Kidney Remedy.

Consecon, Ont., Jan. 10.—(Special). —Mr. David Rowe, a well-known and highly respected farmer, living about three miles from here, is telling his friends of his remarkable recovery from a long period of suffering by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I had very severe pains in my back more or less for upwards of two years," Mr. Rowe says. "These pains seemed to concentrate their full force in the small of my back and the pain was almost unbearable. It made me go bent over and I could not straighten up to save my life.

"When I went to urinate it gave me great pain and you may imagine I was not able to do much work. I consulted a doctor but his prescription did me no good.

"Then I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills and I felt better by the time I had used the first box. Ten boxes cured me completely."

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A little borax in the dishwater will make glass, china, silver, and all tin kitchen utensils clean and bright.

If you will boil three or four onions in a pint of water and apply with a soft brush to gilt frames flies will keep off.

To clean your frying pan, wipe out with a piece of brown paper—it will absorb all the grease—then wash in borax water.

Brown sugar is best for rich puddings and all cooked sweet sauces. If a pinch of borax is added to water boiled in the coffee pot twice a week it will sweeten and purify it. Coffee and tea keep best in glass jars.

are reserved the shadiest seats under the trees in the park. A Mexican boy or girl on entering a room walks around among the company, shaking hands with all, and on leaving the room does the same. Urbanity is taught in the public schools as arithmetic is at home. There is no one jostled on the street; the best seat in the horse car is promptly given up to the ladies, who never fail gracefully to acknowledge the favor. I have never seen a Mexican gentleman fail to give his seat to a woman, whether she was richly or poorly dressed.—Rural Home.

Progress." "Burns' Poems" and "Weems' Life of Washington." He so memorized many of the chapters of the Bible that subsequently he seldom made at the bar or on the "stump" a speech from which he did not quote from it. He early learned in his professional life that to a public speaker the Bible is the most useful of books.

Burns developed his fancy and imagination, Bunyan taught him how to use figurative language, and Weems inspired him with the noble spirit of Washington. Foreign readers of his Gettysburg speech and his second inaugural address asked: "Whence got this man his style, seeing he knows

Garden and Flowers

The Canadian Wild Flowers.

Everybody likes flowers. Perhaps we do not like the wild flowers of Canada as much as we should. We are too apt to look upon the greenhouse flower as the real flower and the modest wild flower as only a weed. But nothing can surpass in beauty and of form and color many of the wild flowers of Canada. To see them in their beauty you must seek them in their native surroundings. A ramble through the woods and meadows, at the proper season, with our eyes open to see the beauty of the flowers, will fill us with delight. Here are the names and descriptions of a few Canadian wild flowers:—

1. The Scented Water Lily is not a lily, but its grace and lovely purity of color could not be well described by any other name. It floats among a multitude of dark green leaves, that rest on the surface of the water. The bloom is a nice combination of ivory-white, green and gold. In the evening the flower closes and shuts in its beauty until the sun again beams upon it. You can find it in the ponds during the summer.

2. The Yellow Pond Lily is not so large as the scented water lily. It

bears a large cream-white flower, pure and dainty rather than showy. It thrives in moderate shade and light sandy soil. It blooms in the month of May.

7. The Harbell grows everywhere in the north temperate zone. Perhaps it is more widely known under the name Blue Bell. As this name implies, the flowers are bell-shaped and of the clearest blue. The interior part of the flower projects like the clapper of a bell. Those who have never seen the harbell would do well to search for it in June and July on shady banks by the streams or ponds.

We could mention here many flowers, but it would take too much space to describe them all. But every Canadian boy or girl should pick the Canadian flowers in the summer and bring them home. In Manitoba there are not so many wild flowers as further west. In the west there are some flowers growing in the fields that only grow here in the house

The Blue Gnu.

The Scientific American says that an exceedingly interesting animal now on exhibition at the Zoological Park, New York, is the new blue gnu. It would be hard to imagine a more fantastic-looking animal. It suggests to one coming unexpectedly upon it, and seeing it for the first time, a sort of impossible dream creature, a cross perhaps between a buffalo and a nightmare. To the buffalo belong the neck and the horns, but the tail and the hind-



The Blue Gnu.

floats among its rounded leaves on the surface of the water—a ball of gold in a cup of green. The roots of this plant are used for medicine.

3. The Fringed Gentian is a welcome flower, for it blooms when nearly all the other flowers have passed. Late in the summer it may be found in the marshes in great abundance. Its beautiful blue fringed petals whisper a message of hope and cheerfulness when dark days are approaching.

4. The Ox-Eye Daisy is a hardy plant that grows in the poorest soil. The bloom is very large—a golden centre, surrounded by a circle of dazzling white, but is lacking in grace and delicacy. The plant is detested by the farmers.

5. The Wild Orange Lily may be found during June and July among the tall grass of the meadows. Dressed in its gorgeous colors of orange-red, flecked with golden brown, this beautiful flower seems to nod graciously to all her friends.

6. The Cone Flower is a very common plant in most parts of Canada. During July, August and September it may be found upon all wild plains. The bloom stands upright upon its stiff stem and seems to drink in the sunbeams. The petals are the richest golden yellow and surround a centre of brown shading almost into black.

6. The Anemone grows in a cold climate and is found far to the north. It

quarters are those of a horse. The legs are a deer's legs, but the head resembles that of no other living animal. The specimen at the park came from South Africa where the species ranges from Orange River north to Victoria Nyanza. There seems to be no doubt that the wild grotesqueness of the appearance of the gnu is a provision of nature to protect the animal. When frightened or disturbed, these remarkable antelopes go through a series of strange evolutions and extraordinary postures, in order to enhance as much as possible the oddity and hideousness of their appearance, and to frighten away intruders.

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May R. Christensen, in Park's Floral Magazine, says:—

Do not follow too blindly the council of some weekly newspaper and cheap story paper floricultural column. A great many of these same columns are written by inexperienced persons merely to fill up space at a stated sum per inch. For instance, on the subject of fertilizing, we are told that barnyard manure or chicken droppings are excellent to enrich soil in our flower beds and around our house plants, with never a warning word as to the condition it should be in when used. Chicken droppings should never be fresh when put around any plant unless it be one's purpose to cremate it. I always save the droppings and mix them evenly with soil and some soot from the chimney cleaning, and in from three to six months I have a fine potting soil. Fresh barnyard manure is much too strong also, and I have known several people to give their lawns a dressing of barnyard manure and then wonder whence came so many strange weeds. I have adopted a plan this year, which I believe will work well. I am having all the manure thrown into the chicken yard, and after the biddies have worked

it over I'll warrant there will be no seeds left. Then, by fall I will have a good dressing for our small lawn. And another thing we must remember along with this subject is to never give a plant a stimulant unless it is in a good growing condition. We all know how we loathe food when we are sick, and when a plant is not growing it is either sick or resting and in either condition should be left alone.

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		Warmth.			
		Flesh.	Oil.	Starch.	Bone
Beans and Peas.	25	2	48	2	
Oatmeal	18	6	63	2	
Middlings	18	6	53	5	
Oats	15	6	47	2	
Wheat	12	3	70	2	
Buckwheat	12	6	58	1 1/2	
Barley	11	2	60	2	
Indian Corn	11	8	65	1	
Hempseed	10	21	45	2	
Rice	7		80		
Potatoes	6 1/2		51	2	
Milk	4 1/2	3	5	2 1/2	

It will be noticed that beans and peas are richest in nitrogenous matter (flesh-forming), and should promote the formation of the white of eggs (or albumen), with oatmeal, shorts, oats, wheat and buckwheat next in order. Corn and hempseed, wheat and oatmeal, promote warmth, while shorts excel in bone-forming. Oatmeal combines the greater number of materials, or, rather, is more perfectly balanced than any other. — Poultry News.

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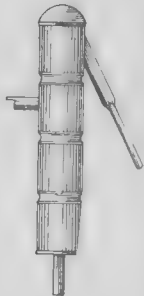
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4604.—The mother who concerns herself with the nicer frocks and wraps for formal service, must not be negligent relative to garments for school or everyday service. The little daughter may have a number of elaborate frocks for Sunday 'go-to-meeting' wear, but her home dress should be as simple as can be. Yoke dresses with full round waist and short full skirt continue to hold in popularity. The model is simply fashioned, but very neat and very pretty. Indeed, its simplicity is its chief charm. It is a becoming style to most children, and is to be recommended because of its laundering possibilities. Fashioned of checked gingham with white yoke, or yoke of same material, with white finishing braid, it is a joy to the child and mother alike. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

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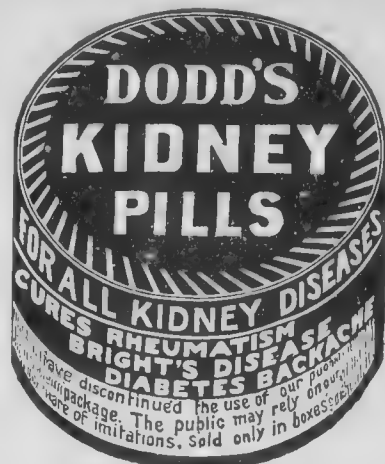
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Little Things.

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Or vapors take away the same.
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May rob a giant of his might!
Or needle-point let out his breath,
And make a banquet meal for Death.

How often at a single word
The heart with agony is stirred,
And ties that years could not have riven,
Are scattered to the winds of Heaven!
A glance, that looks what lips would speak,
Will speed the pulse and blanch the cheek,
And thoughts, nor looked, nor yet expressed,
Create a chaos in the breast.

A smile of hope from those we love
May be an angel from above;
A whispered welcome in our ears
Be as the music of the spheres;
The pressure of a gentle hand
Worth all the glitters in the land.
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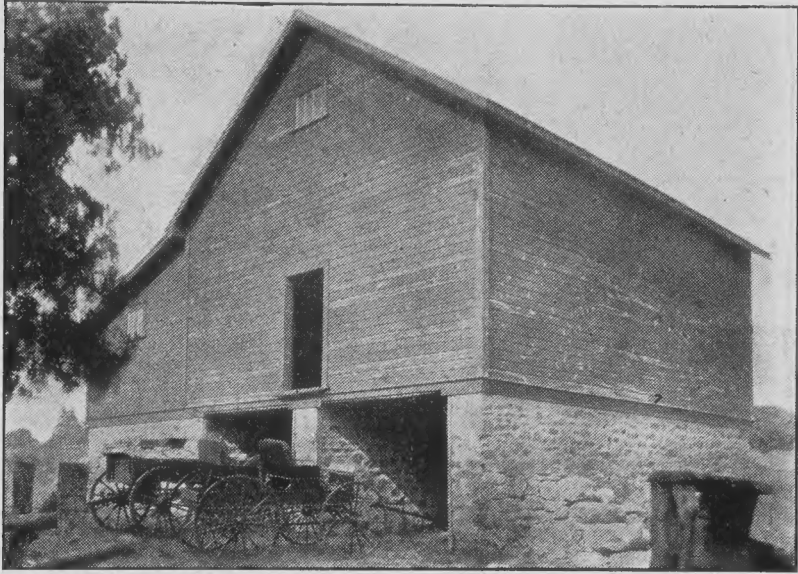
John A. Howland, in the Chicago Tribune, says that the young man considering his life work and the chances for success must not lose sight of the fact that this success must be made in the future. It will have had no connection in all probability with the past; it may have little connection with the material present. The young man who stops at 20 years old to consider these chances of his must realize that he is fortunate if success can be attained within ten years; fortunate, indeed, if at 40 years old his ships are coming in laden. Many another man has not wearied at 50, scanning the horizon for the first glimpse of their sails.

We are confronted every day with the trite expression that "times have changed." The observation always is in the past tense. Many persons giving

cess at 40 years, or perhaps 50 years. That man is pointing back twenty or thirty years, showing the young man the course, when the young man is needing to look twenty or thirty years in exactly the opposite direction.

It is not worth the paper it might be printed on for a young man to read how, fifty years ago, a person buying a lot at the corner of two down-town streets, made \$150,000 in the transaction. "Go west, young man, and grow up with the country" is as obsolete and impossible in some of its possibilities to-day as would be the advice to climb a telegraph pole to examine a star. One might as well advise a young man as a start to go out west and engage as a pony express rider, or take a whip hand at driving an overland stage coach as Mark Twain saw it done.

It is only in a limited sense that even the ethics of the successful man of yesterday will be applicable to the



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voice to the truth forget that times are changing even as they talk, and changing more rapidly perhaps than ever before in the history of the world. When an atlas of the world, drawn to a scale of perfection in one year, is obsolete in another twelve months, one may have a suggestion of how deeply the spirit of change is written upon all things.

It is a pretty true observation that when a man begins to turn back into reminiscences he has stopped growing and is letting the present forge ahead of him. The field of reminiscence is a poppy field, where the senses are lulled and soothed and where fancies wander regardless of present.

Just here lies the danger to the young man in setting his compass by the course of the man who made his suc-

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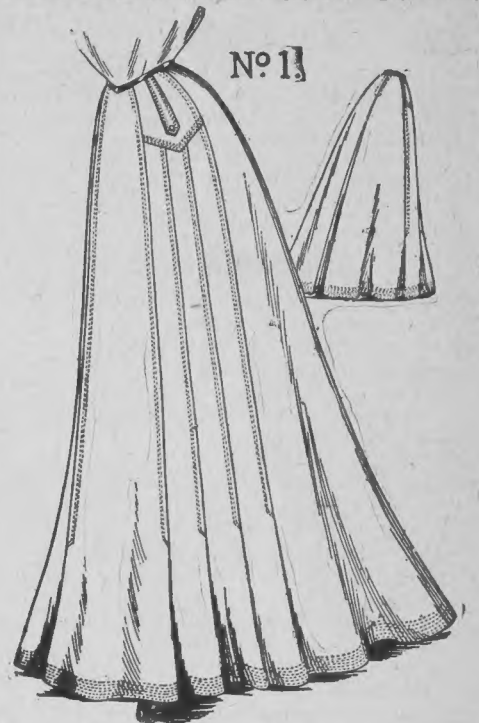
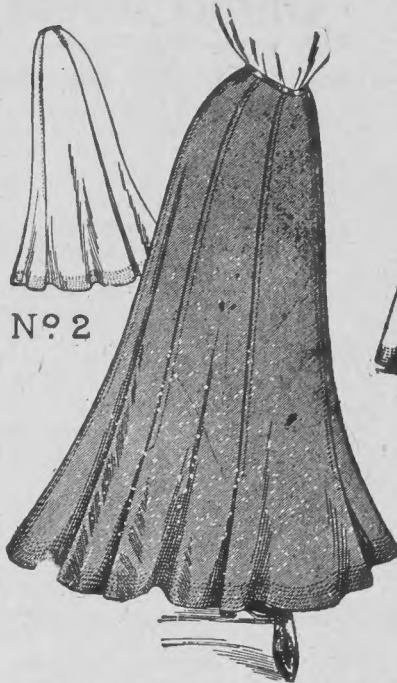
Considering these changes which confront the young man venturing into life, it may be said that the old, half stultified virtues that have come down through the ages as enduring truths are enough of the past for him. Perhaps these virtues need accentuating. Honesty, intelligence, a sane degree of earnest application in his work and a sane observation of the principles of the golden rule will be found requisite to the right kind of success. Beyond these virtues, the young man has need of a strict application to the work of to-day and a keen eye for the condi-

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ways will it refuse to consider the coming needs of to-morrow.

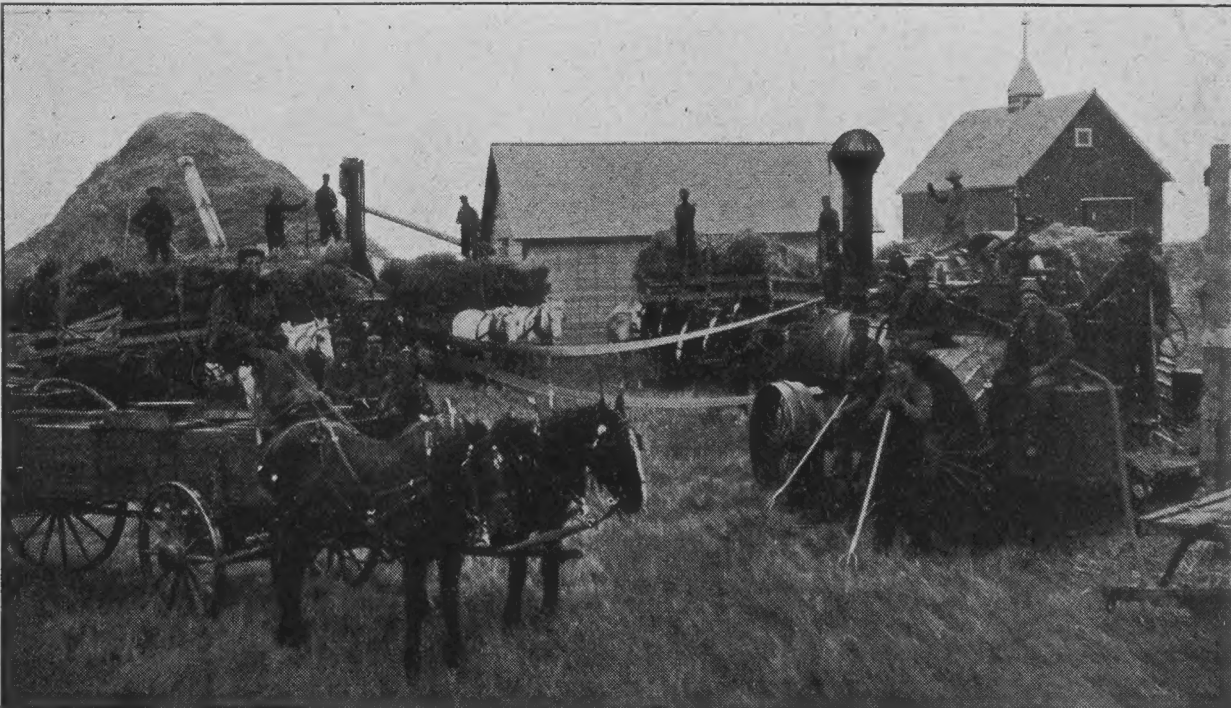
Here, in this shortsightedness of the world, the young man with that rare quality, foresight, will find his opportunity. With a situation given to the ordinary man, there is every chance that, with the least preparedness and the least of originality in the emergency, he can make shift and meet the conditions in a fairly satisfactory manner. But he is a mere cobbler in the work of life. It is the man who can foresee a situation and prepare for it out of hand who is to be the genius of his time.

Taking the man of yesterday who made his success in the business world it will be discovered that conservatism was his chief virtue. He held fast by the traditions of his father. Most of these were good in his career. Change was not so strongly marked upon everything. To-day the young man in the scientific world, in medicine, in surgery, and in many of the newer lines of the world's work—as in electricity—must be in the attitude of accepting an overturning of all that has been taught him as gospel. Only a few years ago the doctors treated a boil by dosing the patient for his blood; to-day the surgeon lances it and destroys the germ that caused it. Radium and the knowledge of radio-activity may upset the "laws" of all physics. Electricity is a household necessity, while the man who produces and harnesses it has yet to learn what it is.

Receptiveness in the young man must always be essential to his success. But he should receive the new things that are proved and not nurse the old things that are obsolete. Let yesterday take care of itself. To-day is big with opportunities and to-morrow is richer still with unlisted things. Look ahead and not behind.

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In Burma and Brittany, yellow is the color of mourning; in Persia pale brown, in Ethiopia grayish-brown, in Syria and Armenia blue, in China white.



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Hundreds of birds that go singing by,
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Hundreds of dewdrops to greet the dawn,
Hundreds of bees in the purple clover,
Hundreds of butterflies on the lawn,
But only one mother the wide world over.
—Selected.

Household Notes.

In making pickles, use none but the best cider vinegar.

To purify the air of a damp cellar, strew charcoal about floor and shelves. Whole cloves will more effectually exterminate moths than camphor, tobacco, or cedar shavings.

A loaf of stale bread is almost as good as when newly baked when wrapped closely in a towel and steamed through thoroughly.

A pretty dish to send to a neighbor or an invalid is blanc mange molded in shells and served in a nest of whipped cream or bright-colored fruit jelly.

Spices in pickles should be used whole, slightly bruised if desired, but preferably not ground; if ground, they should be tied up in thin muslin bags.

Buttermilk is at all times good for the complexion, and also is a fine preventive both of sunburn and freckles, therefore all through the summer months should be used whenever it is possible to get it fresh.

Small white onions make very nice pickles. They are easily prepared, requiring only to have boiling brine poured over them four days in succession, when they are drained and placed in jars, then covered with vinegar.

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Poisons and their Antidotes.

For arsenic.—Give warm water, sweet milk, charcoal, etc.; try to produce vomiting.

Nux vomica.—Produce vomiting; give coffee, stimulants, etc.

Belladonna.—Emetic of warm water.

Tartar emetic.—Strong coffee and tea.

Alcohol.—An emetic of common salt and water, strong coffee, and dash cold water on the body.

Eluestone, copper sulphate.—Produce vomiting with warm water; use coffee, tea and stimulants.

Opium, laudanum, soothing syrup, and paregoric.—Produce vomiting with warm water, salt or mustard. Give strong coffee; keep the patient in constant motion.

Tobacco.—Promote vomiting; give castor oil; apply ammonia to the nose.

Sugar of lead.—Emetic of warm water, and salt or mustard.

Poisonous gases.—Remove the patient to fresh air, raise the head, dash cold water over the face and head, and rub chest and extremities with mustard.

Eat an Apple at Night.

"Everybody ought to know," says the Family Doctor, "that the very best thing they can do is to eat apples just before retiring for the night. The apple is an excellent brain food, because it has more phosphoric acid in easily digested shape than any other fruit. It excites the action of the liver, promotes sound and healthful sleep, thoroughly disinfects the mouth and prevents indigestion and throat diseases."

Medical Advice.

Insomnia may be relieved by laying on the back of the neck a towel wrung out of ice water. This will also often relieve headache.

Bleeding from the nose can often be checked by laying a piece of ice on the wrist.

For soft and flabby flesh bathe or rub with aromatic vinegar or wine, and take plenty of outdoor exercise, for the more the limbs are used the firmer the flesh becomes.

To Remove Dandruff.

Put one ounce of flowers of sulphur into one quart of water, agitate often for several hours, then pour off the clear liquid and saturate the head with it every morning. This does not produce the extreme dryness sometimes occasioned by the continued use of borax.

Kitchen Don'ts.

Don't use good knives for scraping the table and pots.

Don't crumple up your dishcloths. Hang them out to dry.

Don't blacken a stove while it is hot. It takes more blacking and less polish.

Don't put damp towels and napkins in the hamper. Dry them first, or they will mildew.

Don't put egg dishes into hot water—it makes the egg adhere. Soak the dishes first in cold water.

Don't put tin pans on the stove to dry. They become heated, the solder loosens and they soon leak.



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The Well Groomed Girl.

The "clean looking" girl is the most popular type of beauty to-day. The time when the studied carelessness of a straying curl, a sunburned nose and picturesque fussiness were considered attractive has passed. It is the girl whose locks shine as though they had been polished, whose wavy hair curls with absolute exactitude, whose healthy skin seems to glow, whose collars look as though they had just stepped out of the laundry, whose hat is on perfectly straight, whose boots shine, whose gloves are whole and unscrubbed and whose dainty self looks as though she had just emerged from the tub and been dressed, that modern men admire. Picturesque sloppiness went out of fashion with trailing street skirts and fussy silk petticoats. Not even a faded bunch of violets or a half withered chrysanthemum must mar the freshness of the well-groomed girl's toilet.

To-day we dress for the street in a way to make ourselves "stay together." If a high wind should blow us awry or a mud puddle should damage our boots or a misdirected parasol should entangle itself in our hair it is only a step to the dressing room of some shop where we may take forth from our vanity bags a comb and a powder puff, a needle, a button or a cloth and repair the damage.

One of the secrets of the modern girl's perfection is the keeping of a perfectly clean dressing table. A soiled comb, a passe powder puff or a broken nail file can do as much damage to one's appearance as a dusty frock. Besides, soiled combs, brushes and other toilet articles are unhealthy for skin and hair. They not only leave traces of untidiness, but they endanger the pores.

Few women know how and few take the trouble to clean a comb and brush properly. A hair brush should be washed in a clean solution of water and ammonia and set to dry in an open window with the bristles pointing downward. This allows the water to run off the bristles instead of soaking into the back of the brush. Cleaning a comb is a more difficult process. Every tooth, fine and large, should be scraped and washed separately. There is a new device for cleaning combs. It is a rubber strip containing fine holes, through which the teeth of the comb are passed. The rubber strip is then pressed back over the handle. When it is removed, it presses and scrapes every particle of dirt off each tooth. In a single moment the whole comb is perfectly cleaned. Women who have dandruff

will find that it will gradually disappear if both scalp and comb are kept perfectly clean.

The man who has a talkative wife will be delighted with the new device for keeping the feminine mouth closed. It is nothing more nor less than a gauze chin strap which is passed under the chin and tied with ribbon ties on top of the head. Unfortunately for the unhappy Benedict, however, it is only to be worn at night.

It is supposed to serve three purposes—to keep the chin in shape and preserve its youthful lines, to make the sleeper breathe through the nose and to cure her of the unbecoming and unhealthy habit of sleeping with the mouth open.

The most disenchanting thing about the society girl is that droopy "next-morning" expression which constantly dims and darkens her eyes during the gay season. She can freshen up her complexion and keep her figure erect and buoyant by baths and exercise, but after a few weeks of constant going her eyes have a tired look that is anything but beautiful.

A girl with this tired look shows all of her age and a great deal more. The only thing that can be done for it, however, is to rest the eyes whenever possible. When driving from place to place make a practice of closing them, not tightly and with tension, but gently and comfortably. Occasionally bathe them in hamamelis. Wet two small wads of cotton with the liquid, bathe the eyes and place the wads on the lids. Tie a dark green or black silk handkerchief loosely across them. After they begin to feel cool and rested, massage the lids gently with a pure cold cream. If there are dark lines beneath them, powder the lids and flesh beneath thoroughly and wash the powder out of brows and lashes with rose water. When going out in the evening, rouge the lids slightly.

Nothing is so essential to the retention of that youthful, brilliant look as the care of the eyes. Above all, never cry. Nothing is worth it.

Notes About Nature.

The number of leaves on a large sixty-foot-high oak tree has been counted and found to exceed 6,000,000.

A French scientist declares that he has been able to stimulate the growth of plants by applying glucose or glycine to the roots.

Lightning, when it strikes a tree, sometimes converts the sap into steam with such energy that it explodes, scattering the wood in every direction.

Experimenters have made wonderful

crosses with peaches and nectarines, and the plumcot is a new fruit obtained by breeding the Japanese plum and the common apricot.

A caterpillar in the course of a month will devour 6,000 times its own weight in food. It will take an average man three months before he eats a quantity of food equal to his own weight.

Fruit breeders have produced many marvels, but nothing quite akin to the unaided performance of a tree in Forfarshire, Scotland, which last year grew apples, and whose branches were this year laden with pears. There are more than 500 different standard kinds of apples on the English market and more than 800 different kinds of pears, but a tree with an alternating crop of apples and pears is an unaccountable oddity.

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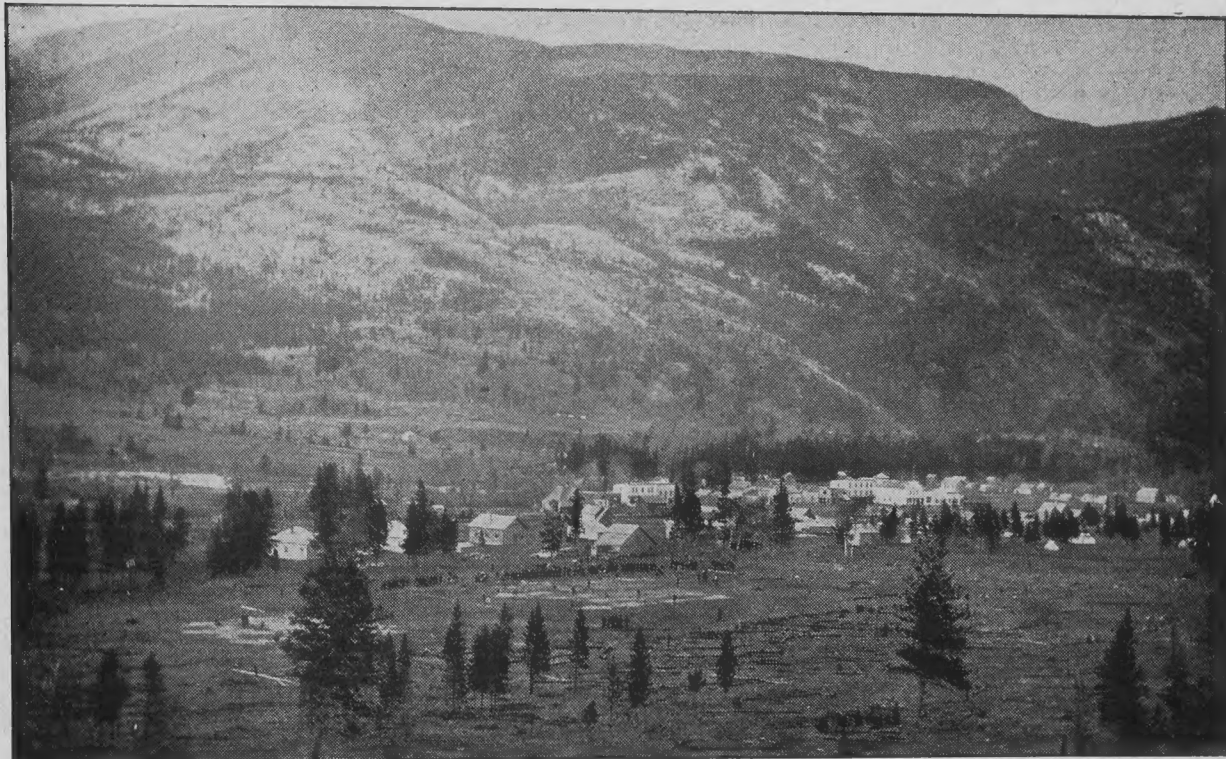
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Puzzle Column

For Boys and Girls.

Publisher's Note.—We will send The Western Home Monthly for one year to the person sending us one original puzzle eligible for publication, or any subscriber who sends the best solution to the puzzles in this number of The Monthly. Answers will appear in the February issue.

Puzzle.

1. Word Diamond—(a) In peasant; (b) part of a circle; (c) the market place of a Grecian town; (d) a declaration which binds the one who makes it; (e) brittle; (g) in peasant.

2. Why does a hen cross a road on a wet day?

3. Square—
Oh! "first's" decrees are fitful oft
And have been, since in "four's" high walls,
The "second" fruit was ta'en, and since aloft

From seas the "three" rises and falls.

4. Why is love like a potato?

5. Why is The Western Home Monthly like the 12th of every month?

6. A farmer brought five pieces of chain, three links each, to a blacksmith, and asked him what was the least money he could join them together for; the blacksmith replied, "I charge one cent to cut a link and one cent to weld a link." What is the least it could be done for?

7. Why did the owl howl?

8. Down in yon meadow there sits and stands two feet and a pair of hands, lungs six and livers three, oh, what a creature this must be.

9. A room with eight corners had a cat in each corner, seven cats before each cat, and a cat on every cat's tail. What was the total number of cats?

10. Why is a drawn tooth like a thing forgotten?

11. Why is a lazy man like a dog's tail?

12. I am your friend, you must surely know

If I should depart and go away,
I could no more your griefs allay;
Yet I must not to you draw near,
For it would not be well for you, I fear;

So I will keep on trying your hearts to cheer;

I will keep on doing my part here.

13. A boy driving home some ducks was asked how many he had. He replied: When in line there are two ducks ahead of a duck, two ducks behind a duck, and a duck in the middle. How many ducks had he?

Answers to December Puzzles.

1. Cornet.
2. Level.
3. Because it makes hot shot.
4. Going round.
5. (1) hid, (2) roan, (3) yam, (4) Leo, (5) wed, (6) aster, (7) sum, (8) lap, (9) maps, (10) ace. My whole is "Mid pleasures and palaces, tho' we may roam."

6. Word Square—
P A R C H
A Z U R E
R U M O R
C R O W D
H E R D S

7. Because it is in the middle of Greece (grease).

8. Because he runs for the plate.

9. Half Square—
A B L E R
B E A D
L A D
E D
R

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"Tommy, stop that noise, and come here to me," said Mrs. Phamley. "Do you know whose day this is?"

"Yes, ma'am," replied Tommy, promptly.

"Whose is it?"

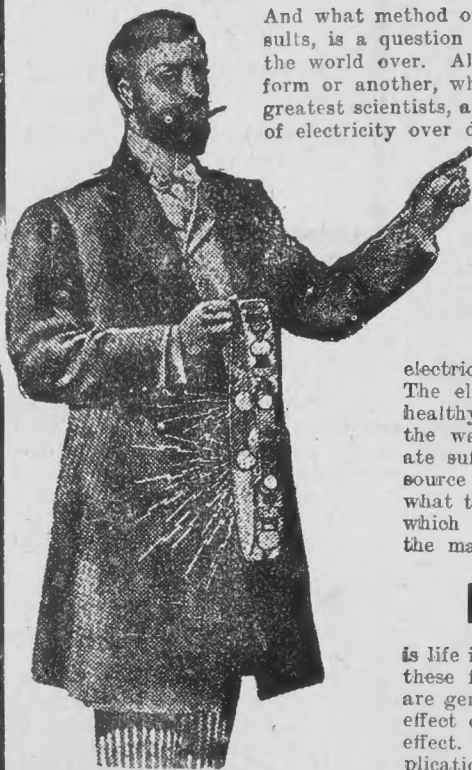
"Bridget's. Mary Ann was out last Sunday."—Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. McCarthy, sobbing, meets Mrs. Flaherty. "An' phwat is it, Mrs. McCarthy," asked Mrs. Flaherty, "is anybody dead?" Mrs. McCarthy nods energetically and sobs the louder. "An' who is it?" inquires the sympathetic neighbor. "Mike," responded the bereaved. "An' phwat did he die of?" "He died of a Chuesday." "Oh, Hivens!" said Mrs. Flaherty, "isn't it horrible!"



"Here's a whole line of type all mixed up so's youse kant read it."
"Dat aint mixed up, dat's a Russian General's name."

WHY MEN ARE WEAK



And what method of restoring lack or waste of vitality in them is productive of best results, is a question which at present is being seriously considered by the medical profession the world over. Almost every doctor is introducing electricity into his practice in one form or another, which is the direct outcome of the recent announcements of the world's greatest scientists, and is a practical admission on the part of physicians of the superiority of electricity over drugs as a curative agent. You cannot possibly estimate the true importance of the statements made by some of our greatest scientists at their convention recently held, where they claim that after five years of studious research they have discovered that electricity is the basis of human vitality, that without this fluid of life we cannot exist. I have been preaching on these same lines for the past twenty years. I did not discover—it was only my belief. My theory was founded upon the fact that the food that we eat is treated as fuel by the stomach, just the same as coal in a furnace. The chemical action which is produced upon the food by the acids and juices of the stomach burns the food and causes a carbonic heat. This heat is electricity, and it is forced into the nerves and vital organs and is their life.

The electrical heat generated by the consumption of our food should keep healthy every vital organ of the body. Debility of the vital organs arises when the waste is greater than the repair, when the stomach is not able to generate sufficient electrical heat to supply the demands of nature. This is the source of decay in men. Now, what I claim is that my theory passes beyond what these great men claim to have discovered. I have invented a device by which this life (ELECTRICITY) may be restored to the human body. It is the marvel of electricians.

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